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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sirs;

This paper is in response to the Examiner's non-final Office Action (hereinafter "the Office Action"), mailed November 24, 2006, in connection with the above-identified patent application. In view of the following amendment and remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a), 102(b), 102(e) and 103(a) on claims 1-8 and 10, the obviousness-type double patenting rejection on claims 1-8 and 10, and the objection to claims 1-8 and 10.

- Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.
- Remarks begin on page 37 of this paper.